

## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S NOTE

Creativity was the order of the day for our Christmas performances this year and in the Year 2/4 and Year 3/5 shows, we saw everything from guitar solos to shadow puppetry. The teachers, support staff and children worked incredibly hard to make sure that they were ready to perform and I think that they did a fabulous job. Nancy Wayman, our Music subject leader, chose a lovely selection of songs which the children sang beautifully. An enormous thank you to all involved in the production of the Christmas shows this year; parents – I hope that you enjoyed them as much as I did.

Continuing the 'thank you' theme, I would like to thank you for contributing to our Christmas staff party. We wanted it to be an event that all staff were able to come to and, with your help, it was.

As the term draws to a close, the Belham community will be getting festive on Thursday for Christmas Jumper Day. It's a great opportunity for you and your pet to wear matching Christmas jumpers and donate money towards a good cause. Unfortunately, the children will have to leave their pets at home but can choose a suitably resplendent Christmas jumper to wear over their school uniform. All donations will go to [Save the Children](#).

## BELHAM PIZZA!

### [Belham Pizzas on the Menu at Made of Dough](#)

From **Tuesday to Friday next week**, Made of Dough will be including our pizzas on their specials menu. Year 4 have been creating Pompeii Pizzas in DT, in line with their literacy and topic work on the Romans and Volcanoes. Made of Dough gave them all a demonstration and a taste of their own pizzas, as well as answering our questions about best sellers, marketing and recipes. The children made their own dough, created their own sauces and in groups decided on a volcanic Pompeii topping.

After a lot of deliberation, Made of Dough have chosen 2 pizzas for their menu - Satin's 'The Pizza Invaders' and Taffeta's 'Vege Volcano'. We very much appreciate their support and hope that you will join in the fun at Made of Dough next week for an after school Pompeii treat.

## KEY DATES

### Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Musical Theatre - end of term show (please see separate Schools Buddy message)

TRIP- Class Reps & Play Leaders- Ice Skating

### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

EYFS & KS1 Christmas Panto (in school)

TRIP Year 4 trip to Natural History Museum (packed lunch required)

TRIP Year 5 Winter concert @ Harris Academy

### Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Jumper Day (to be worn over uniform)

Christmas Lunch

### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

School finishes at 1:15pm NO OWLS

## KS2 CURRENT AFFAIRS PROJECT

We've had a great response to the KS2 Current Affairs Project with some really exciting and well-presented issues. Children had to identify the issue that they were interested in and outline the two sides to the argument before giving their opinion. This is a really important skill for both academic work and also in terms of supporting children to understand that every 'argument' has two sides. Some of my favourite entries were:

*Felix (Yr4)- Are Climate Change Activists Heroes or Villains?*

*Matthew (Yr5)- CCTV Cameras in Schools- Good or Bad?*

*Stanley (Yr5)- The Increase of Wildfires Around the World- Good or Bad?*

*Liliana (Yr5) – Climate Change—Is It an Issue?*

*Dexter (Yr5)- Video Assistant Referees (VAR)- Good or Bad?*

*Andre (Yr5)- Climate Change- Good or Bad?*

*Flora (Yr4)- Should we Eat Turkey at Christmas?*

*Syhayl (Yr5) – Diamond Mining - Good or Bad?*

The entry date for next term's project will be published in early January. I can't wait to see all of the responses!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to enter, it is so brilliant to know that the Belham is full of children who care about issues—local or international.

# THE FRIENDS' FRIENDLY



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## FoB NEWS

### FOB THANKS

A big thanks to Frances at LABOOS and everyone that came to the Christmas wreath workshop on Monday. We hope you enjoyed making your Christmas wreaths.

The workshop made a fabulous **£238.50** for FoB funds!

### Guess the Lego – Winner!

The Lucky winner of the jar of Lego is Gabriel in Silk who guessed 1020 & the actual amount was 1026! Amazing guess well done!

### FoB School Disco! – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb

Get those glad rags on, because it's..... school disco time!

Venue - The Peckham Liberal Club, Elm Grove, SE15 5DE

Entry is £3 on the door per child

Sessions are as follows:

Reception and Year 1: 3:45pm – 4:30pm

Years 2 and 3: 4:45pm – 5:30pm

Years 4 and 5: 5:45pm – 6:30pm

Non-school siblings are welcome, school siblings can strut their stuff alongside their older/younger brothers/sisters, all can come.

Refreshments for children are available to buy during the session.

Parents can use the Liberal Club cash only bar but must remain within their children throughout.

### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED PLEASE!!!**

2.30pm: Set up time - 3 people needed

3.45pm - 4.30pm: Reception & year 1 - 3 people needed

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4.45pm - 5.30pm: Years 2 & 3 - 3 people needed

5.45pm - 6.30pm: Years 4 & 5 - 3 people needed

6.30pm - 7.15pm: Clear up - 4 people needed

If you help with set up there should be time to pick up your children from school. Helping with the sessions involves manning the entrance and the refreshment stands for each session. It's a really fun event to help with - if you can spare some time please email Hannah at [hcleatonroberts@btinternet.com](mailto:hcleatonroberts@btinternet.com)

### Koru Kids

**Have you used a Koro Kids nanny at any point since June of this year?**

Thanks to everyone that has got in touch so far, if you haven't had a chance please do still.

The school will get £100 per sign up.

If you have please

contact [michellehardy1975@gmail.com](mailto:michellehardy1975@gmail.com)

## OTHER WAYS TO MAKE MONEY

### Christmas Shopping!

If you're doing your Christmas shopping on the internet go through the #easyfundraising to raise a donation for us. If you haven't joined in yet, it's easy and completely FREE. 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us for FREE when you buy things you'd be getting anyway. Every donation mounts up for us and can make a difference, so please take a moment to get involved!

Sign-up using our unique link

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-belham/>

## **Company Match Funding**

Last year we raised a further £1400 for FoB funds through match funding.

An increasing number of large companies operate a match funding scheme whereby they “match” charity fundraising undertaken by their employees.

These organisations set aside millions of pounds to fund such schemes and are more than happy to support their staff in raising money for charities of their choice.

What is match funding?

Match giving, or match funding, is a simple way to maximise the fundraising efforts of your individual PTA volunteers.

It is an informal, but corporate, arrangement between a company and an employee.

Usually, a company pledges to match a sum of money relating to the amount the employee has either raised (volunteered to help at an event) or donated to a charity.

If you think the company that you work for is happy to match fund, please get in touch with us as it would be a huge boost to the money we can raise for the school.

Email Friends Belham [friendsofbelham@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofbelham@gmail.com)

## **Koru Kids**

Earn £100 for our school - with a Koru Kids after school nanny.

They have lots of nannies in our area - if you get a nanny using the code SC1BELHAM they will donate £100 to the school.

Find out more at: [korukids.co.uk/refer-school](http://korukids.co.uk/refer-school)

## **SAVE THE DATE**

School Disco – Friday 7th Feb 2020

Quiz Night – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Bag for School - Tuesday 5th March

Golf Day - 27th March 2020

Camping - Friday 19<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June